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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (CHRISTOPHER, WARREN), BR

SUBJECT: CHRISTOPHER VISIT

1. DEPUTY SECRETARY WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF SILVEIRA'S NEED TO ABSENT HIMSELF FOR OPENING OF CONGRESS BY CALLING DURING THAT TWO-HOUR PERIOD ON OTHER GOB OFFICIALS LIKELY TO HAVE INDIRECT INFLUENCE ON GOB RESPONSE TO US PROPOSALS IN NUCLEAR FIELD, IF YOU AGREE THAT MIGHT BE USEFUL. ONE POSSIBILITY WOULD BE TO CALL ON RANKING ECONOMIC OFFICIALS TO CONVEY POSITIVE SIGNAL THAT WE ARE AWARE OF BRAZIL'S ECONOMIC CONCERNS. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY WOULD BE THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE (E.G. GENERAL GOLBERY) BUT THIS MAY BE TOO SENSITIVE AND LIKELY TO BE RESENTED BY SILVEIRA.

2. ON ECONOMIC FRONT, FOR EXAMPLE, DEPUTY SECRETARY MIGHT  
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CALL ON SIMONSEN AND VELLOSO. IF THEY ARE ALSO AT CONGRESSIONAL SESSION, PLEASE CONSIDER SCHEDULING APPROPRIATE CALL ON OTHER RANKING ECONOMIC OFFICIALS IF AVAILABLE. GIVEN STATE OF PLAY HERE ON SHOES AND COFFEE, IN PARTICULAR, DEPUTY SECRETARY WILL BE IN ESSENTIALLY A LISTENING POSTURE -- BUT WE ASSUME THE EXPRESSION OF INTEREST ITSELF MIGHT BE USEFUL.

3. FYI: IN CONFIDENCE, ALTHOUGH DEPUTY SECRETARY IS PRESSED TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON FOR CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS, HE WOULD CONSIDER STAYING OVER FOR WEDNESDAY MORNING MEETING, MARCH 2, IF DEVELOPMENTS WARRANTED. INCIDENTALLY, HE WAS CONFIRMED ON FEBRUARY 24 AND SWORN IN TODAY. END FYI.

4. WE HAVE DRAFTED TOAST PARA 5 FOR DEPUTY SECRETARY'S USE IN EVENT ONE IS REQUIRED DURING WORKING LUNCH. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO USE DRAFT AS BASIS FOR DEVELOPING TWO VERSIONS FOR DISCUSSION WITH PARTY FOLLOWING ARRIVAL: ONE ASSUMING MORNING DISCUSSIONS HAVE BEEN PRODUCTIVE AND THEREFORE AT LEAST SOMEWHAT UPBEAT ABOUT FUTURE RELATIONSHIPS; ONE SOMEWHAT MORE RESTRAINED.

5. QUOTE: MR. FOREIGN MINISTER, FIRST OF ALL LET ME EXPRESS MY THANKS FOR YOUR WARM RECEPTION AND HOSPITALITY. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE FIRST OFFICIAL VISIT TO LATIN AMERICA OF A MEMBER OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S ADMINISTRATION. THAT IT IS TO BRAZIL IS AS MUCH A REFLECTION OF THE VALUE WE ASSIGN TO OUR HISTORIC TIES OF DIALOGUE AND FRIENDSHIP AS IT IS OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SPECIFIC PROBLEMS WE HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING.

BRAZIL AND UNITED STATES SHARE COMMON VALUES AS MEMBERS OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION. WE STOOD TOGETHER IN WORLD WAR II; BRAZIL'S DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTION IN THE ITALIAN CAMPAIGN WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED. IN THE YEARS AFTER 1964, CONFIDENTIAL

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THE UNITED STATES WAS FORTUNATE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASSIST IN YOUR TREMENDOUS AND SUCCESSFUL DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS.

TODAY OUR RELATIONSHIP IS IN A NEW PHASE. IT REFLECTS BRAZIL'S IMPORTANT POSITION AND THE GROWTH AND DIVERSIFICATION OF BRAZIL'S ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL RELATIONSHIPS, RELATIONSHIPS TO WHICH YOU, MR. MINISTER, HAVE CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH. THIS NEW PHASE DOES NOT MEAN OUR BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP NEED BE LESS CLOSE. WE BELIEVE THAT BRAZIL'S ROLE IN AN INCREASINGLY INTERDEPENDENT WORLD CARRIES WITH IT BOTH NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION, AND NEW OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARDS EACH OTHER AND TOWARDS THE WORLD COMMUNITY.

MR. MINISTER, OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS THE UNITED STATES HAS SOUGHT NEW MODALITIES FOR FURTHERING THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES ADAPTED TO TODAY'S REALITIES. PRESIDENT CARTER'S ADMINISTRATION SUPPORTS THIS BASIC

PURPOSE. AS SECRETARY VANCE INDICATED IN HIS LETTER TO  
YOU, THIS ADMINISTRATION DESIRES TO CONTINUE THE CONSUL-  
  
TATIVE PROCESSES WHICH HAVE SERVED THE INTERESTS OF OUR  
TWO COUNTRIES SO WELL. UNQUOTE.

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